

1142nd meeting of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society

Annual Banquet

6:00PM Saturday June 25, 2011 Gold Mirror Italian Restaurant 800 Taraval St. (at 18th Ave.) San Francisco, California

Reminder: Hawaiian shirts recommended, but not required!

1141h meeting, May 25, 2011

Herb Miles presented his talk:

Buffalo Soldiers.

The Buffalo Soldiers were the result of the all Black volunteer forces during the Civil War. There were 179,000 soldiers. 51,000 died at Gettysburg. After the war Congress created six all Black regiments during reconstruction. One was the 10th Cavalry under W T Sherman. They served in three key battles in the Spanish American war. Roosevelt and his Rough Riders got all the credit but the 10th Cavalry carried the brunt of the battles. The 10th Cavalry was the only regiment to serve in WWI, while the 9th Cavalry first assigned to California and they were the first park rangers at Yosemite. Private William Cathey turned out to be a woman. She had an unremarkable career in the Buffalo regiments; except that they never found out she was a woman.

Member Exhibits included:

Jerry told about 2 black saloonkeepers. Headquarters was the 24th infantry regiment. About 1902 or 3 they broke up. They knew the NO JAZZ men, i.e. Jelly Roll Morton. Dance Hall girls sometimes were available. Crow's Nest was mixed race and owned by Sam King, one of the black saloonkeepers.

Ken shared mail sent on Wells Fargo mail service in Stanislaus County. Sent by a Chinese person to a Chinese business, the name on it was illegible. Knight's Ferry was the address. 27 IRS stamps - tax stamps for things like playing cards. All are cancelled WF and Co. Dates 1864 circa.

Federico had an ostrich farm token from south Pasadena. The Audubon society said don't consume native bird feathers, buy ostrich.

Dan Hipple brought a 1892 Columbian Exposition medal. A 1916

Gold for Iron medal and an 1879 Philadelphia US Grant municipal parade medal.

Whalen shared a Remember the Maine medal, Grover Cleveland medal, Al Smith medal, and a Marion Davies medal.

Mark Clark shared a Mexico 5 peso commemorating 1810, 1910, 2010. 2008 Independence and revolution; 12:10 SF Club Broadside for luncheons because that was the time it started. 1810 8 reales with heraldic eagle. 1866 Maximillian peso.

Stephen Huston a cast bronze coin of Garibaldi's 1849 Roman Republic. They couldn't strike coins, as they needed machinery for the army.

The evening raffle included:

Whalen won a shingle from Washington'

Whalen won lost Kennedy half dollars. 2002 and 2003

Lew took the penny set.

Dan won Ohio Depression Scrip Note.

Lew won a 1971 proof San Francisco silver Ike in an original mint set.

2011 meeting Schedule:

July 27, 2011: Building C, Fort Mason

August 24, 2011: Building C, Fort Mason

September 21, 2011: Building C, Fort Mason (Note the 3rd

Wednesday)

October 26, 2011: Building C, Fort Mason

November 23, 2011: Building C, Fort Mason

California honors those who served in the Spanish-American War.

On April 23, 1898, the President issued a call for 125,000 troops, of which California's quote was 3,238 officers and men. California furnished, under this call (between May 6 and May 11) two twelve-company regiments (First and Seventh California Volunteer Infantry), one regiment of eight companies (Sixth California Volunteers), and the First Battalion of Heavy Artillery (four batteries), aggregating 3,343 officers and men; and a Signal detachment of 3 officers and 20 men; all except the heavy artillery being furnished from the National Guard of California. San Francisco greeted the return of the first volunteer regiments on August 25, 1899 with a parade, festivities, and medals for the California heroes.

